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iday, the SALE of FURNITURE within the  
Premises of the late Mr. A. H. RENNIE  
will commence on TUESDAY, the 26th  
May, at 2 P.M. instead of as previously  
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Hongkong, May 21, 1908.

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I have this day RESUMED CHARGE  
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Hongkong, May 15, 1908. 816

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MEETING OF THE COMPANY WILL BE HELD  
AT THE OFFICE OF THE COMPANY, 51 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
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FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING THE REPORT OF  
THE DIRECTORS, TOGETHER WITH A STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS  
TO APRIL 1908.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES WILL BE  
CLOSED FROM WEDNESDAY, 20TH INST.,  
TO WEDNESDAY, 27TH INST., BOTH DAYS  
INCLUSIVE.

R. J. MACGOWAN,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1908. 769

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT  
THE TWELFTH ANNUAL ORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING OF THE COMPANY  
(SINCE ITS REORGANISATION)  
WILL BE HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE COMPANY,  
51 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
SATURDAY, THE 29TH MAY, 1908,  
AT 2 P.M., FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING THE  
REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER, WITH A  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS TO 31ST DECEMBER,  
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THE REGISTER OF SHARES WILL BE  
CLOSED FROM MONDAY, THE 25TH INST.,  
TO MONDAY, THE 1ST JUNE, BOTH DAYS  
INCLUSIVE, DURING WHICH PERIOD NO TRANSFER  
OF SHARES CAN BE REGISTERED.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1908. 770

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THE NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
WILL BE HELD AT THE COMPANY'S OFFICE, WATKINS  
BROS., LTD., 31, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
SATURDAY, THE 29TH MAY, 1908, AT  
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THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE  
COMPANY WILL BE CLOSED FROM 23RD MAY,  
TO THE 30TH MAY, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

G. A. WATKINS,  
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General Managers.  
Hongkong, May 15, 1908. 741

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the above Company, we shall be  
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of passage, etc., in connection with above.

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## COTTON-SPINNING IN JAPAN.

## A Gloomy Outlook.

Says the "Japan Daily Mail":—Tokyo  
journals write in a very pessimistic strain  
about the conditions of the cotton-spinning  
industry in Japan at present. Special  
attention is drawn to the subject by the  
fact that the increased capacity for pro-  
duction planned during the boom is becom-  
ing practically available just at the moment  
when the supply of yarns seeking a market  
is considerably in excess of the demand.  
Thus the Nishin Spinning Factory at  
Kameido is virtually completed, the ap-  
plication of motive power being alone  
required. Its machinery is English;  
there is provision of 8,000 spindles;  
the works cover an area of 5,100 teito  
(4 acres), and it is expected that  
production will begin from the 1st of  
June. The No. 3 factory of the Kanegafuchi  
Company at Mukojima is also ap-  
proaching completion, and the work of  
spinning will commence in June or July.  
This means another addition of 30,000  
spindles to the country's producing capacity.  
On the other hand, the Fuji Company's  
new works at Oshigao in the Hongo Ward  
of Tokyo are still far from being finished,  
and no progress seems to be made with  
the Tokyo Spinning Company's new mill  
in the Senju district. The shareholders of  
this last Company show no disposition to  
respond to the call on the new shares; it  
has been found necessary to reduce the  
proposed number of spindles (60,000) by  
one half, and the Mitsui Busan Kisha,  
through which the machinery was ordered  
from England, is said to have been asked to  
obtain a postponement of the date of  
shipment. In view of immediate require-  
ments—we quote the "Asahi"—a sum of  
300,000 yen has been borrowed from Mr.  
Hibiki Hoizayemon to carry on the build-  
ing, as the Directors recognise that to  
attempt to force the shareholders to pay  
up would be unwise. The "Hochi  
Shimbun" expatiates upon the subject in  
terms which certainly do not lack despera-  
tion. It says that in spite of having  
reduced their production by stopping the  
spindles at night, the companies have large  
stocks of unsaleable produce in their ware-  
houses so that their capital is locked up,  
while, at the same time, they will soon be con-  
fronted by the necessity of paying for their  
supplies of new material. In short, the  
operations during the present term—which  
concludes in June—have been most un-  
successful, and it is very doubtful whether  
the Kanegafuchi and the Fuji Companies,  
whose last dividends were 22 and 25 per  
cent, respectively, will be able to declare  
10 per cent. next settling day. The case is  
still worse with the Tokyo Besshi Kisha,  
which has made arrangements for adding  
fifty thousand spindles to its previous plant  
of thirty-six thousand, and which, by  
hesitating to dispose of its yarns last year,  
lost its opportunity of doing so, and has  
held in a constantly falling market.

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DEATH.

Died at No. 8 Police Station at 2.05 a.m. on the 25th instant, Police Inspector David Douglas CUTTERET, aged 47 years, dearly beloved husband of Barbara Cutt-  
eret. Deeply mourned.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture, &c., at the late Mr Rennie's Re-  
sidence Magazine Gap Road.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Pines Heinrich undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, May 27.—  
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of The Star Ferry Co., Ltd.THURSDAY, May 28.—  
Goods per Namur not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.  
Goods per Palermo not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.FRIDAY, May 29.—  
5 p.m.—Auction of Yacht Mary & Joan at Al King's Slipway.SATURDAY, May 30.—  
Noon—Tenders will be received at the Office of Colonial Secretary.

Noon—Meeting of A. S. Watson &amp; Co., Limited.

2 p.m.—Meeting of Watkins, Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

9 p.m.—Concert in City Hall.

Goods per Belvedere undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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MONDAY, June 1.—  
5.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Silk Embroideries &c., at No. 29, Queen's Road Central, under Hongkong Hotel.

Goods per Tonkin undelivered after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

TUESDAY, June 2.—  
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

NOTICE.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Rear-Admiral Sperry has replaced

Rear-Admiral C. M. Thomas in the command of the United States fleet.

The Peking Board of Education has decided to have a uniform language throughout the empire and to teach the mandarin dialect in all the primary schools.

A fund is being raised by the foreign residents in Hankow for the relief of the Chinese who lost their boats and property in the recent inundation.

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HOME POLITICS.

EVENTUALLY the Liberal Government has realised the imminent danger of disastrous defeat when they go before the electors. There could be no more striking illustration of the magnitude of the few that has seized upon the Ministry than is given in our special cable, published on Saturday, dealing with Mr. Asquith and the Suffragettes. Time was, and not so very long ago, when Mr. Asquith would have scornfully refused to receive a deputation of women agitators. That haughty attitude is shown no more. The Prime Minister of Great Britain subsequently receives persons whose existence he previously ignored—that is to say as far as their noisy and tumultuous, methods permitted anyone to ignore them. Not only does he grant the interview but he seeks to placate them with honeyed words and alluring promises. The Government will not oppose any attempt to incorporate amendments providing for votes for women in its Electoral Reform Bill, he declares. A man of Mr. Asquith's

character must have felt the humiliation of this capitulation deeply. In effect, he said: "I am convinced that to give votes to women is inherently wrong and would be disastrous to the country. My conscience tells me to oppose the proposal as strenuously as in me lies. The Government as a whole is animated by similar sentiments. But the Government has seen that it has lost its hold upon the electors, and that dismissal from office looms up ahead. Consequently the Government is prepared to jettison its principles in the hope that gratitude for giving you what you ask will induce you to save us from our impending fate."

That would be a truthful explanation but political

sentiments and truth, as everyone knows, have long been divorced. That apart it is evident that Mr. Asquith and his colleagues are terribly alarmed. They have signally failed in domestic

and Colonial policy, and in Foreign

policy what successes they have gained

have been largely due to the personal

efforts of His Majesty the King and to

Sir Edward Grey loyally carrying out

the policy of his Unionist predecessors.

The recent re-arrangement of portfolios

was in itself an admission of failure. If

the Cabinet Ministers had been

qualified for the positions they held

when Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman

was Prime Minister it would not have

been necessary to make an extensive re-

arrangement merely because the late

## STIRLING BURGHS BYE ELECTION.

A LIBERAL SUCCESS.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters via Bowring.)

LONDON, May 23.

A bye election has been held at Stirling Burghs to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

Mr Ponsonby, the Liberal candidate, was successful, securing 3573 votes while his opponent, Mr Whitelaw, a Unionist, only secured 2512.

At the general election the late Prime Minister was returned unopposed.

## SMUGGLERS AND CUSTOMS.

## MANY KILLED.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

YANCHOW, May 24.

A large number of smugglers, who were endeavouring to run a large shipment of salt through here yesterday, met with the Customs officers.

A conflict ensued in which Chinese soldiers took part.

Many soldiers are reported to have been killed by the smugglers.

## FREUTER'S SERVICE.]

## RUSSIAN DUTIES ON TEA.

LONDON, May 22.

The Russian Cabinet has decided to repeal the increased duties on India and Ceylon teas from the 1st September.

## LORD MILNER ON SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, May 22.

Lord Milner, at the South African Association dinner, said that South Africa was now governed by Commandos placed in power by Great Britain and was reverting to previous conditions. He trusted that the dominant party would not settle the question of federation over the heads of the minority.

## THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, May 22.

The Senate has agreed to a subsidy for carrying mails to Japan, China, Australasia and the Philippines. The reform currency (legislation) appears to be definitely shelved.

## KING EDWARD'S VISIT TO THE TSAR.

LONDON, May 22.

The newspapers of all shades of Russia welcome most cordially the visit of King Edward, as setting a seal to the friendship of the two countries. They all consider it of great political importance, following the impending visit of President Fallières to London.

## REVIEW.

THE LAMB SHAKESPEARE FOR THE YOUNG. Illustrated. Chatte and Windus, London.

Of this excellent illustrated series we have received three of the well-known plays, "A Y Like It," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," and "The Tempest," and from them we are able to gather that the young are understandable and really excellent means of giving the plays of Shakespeare to the young. The general editor is to be congratulated. Each adaptation is based on the lines of Lamb's Tales, and contain passages and scenes inserted from the original plays, as well as songs set to music. All are splendidly illustrated, and any one of the series should be valuable to any child and interesting and entertaining to any adult. The artists are Miss Helen Stratton and Miss L. E. Wright, and both have chosen happy subjects for illustration. Of the music the "Midsummer Night's Dream" contains "I Know a Bank," "You Spoke Sweetly," "I Know a Bank," "The Tempest," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "Full Fathom Five," and "Where the Bee Sucks." "A Y Like It" has "Under the Greenwood Tree," "Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind," and "It was a Lover and a Lass." All the songs are arranged for home and school singing, and so should commend themselves to a wide circle.

Buying books for the young this series should be seriously considered by parents and those desirous of making gifts to the rising generation. Those scenes and passages of the various plays of the great poet with which the young should be familiar are skilfully introduced into the prose, and the prose is so well and carefully written that it is readily understood, and each work constitutes a story which will be of interest to and give the young a sound work which will later allow them to approach the original plays with a mind sharpened by knowledge and appreciation. The volumes are being issued in three styles, in cloth, gilt; limp leather, and in a special limp-linen binding or gold-tooled. All are well-bound, and the latter is especially capable of standing rough handling.

BABY AND GRANDFATHER CARE STEARNS. Who of God Lives On, because it is delicious and is made for people with weak stomachs. Makes new blood and builds up the system.

## THE V. R. C.

## NEW BUILDING OPENED.

May 25, 1908, will long be remembered by the present members of the Victoria Recreation Club—the oldest sporting organization in the Colony—for to-day His Excellency Sir Frederick D. Lugard, representative of His Majesty the King in Hongkong, formally declared the new premises opened for the use of members. The ceremony was a simple one but none-the-less it marked a very important epoch in the history of the Club, for since 1861 the question of a suitable club-house has been a burning topic with successive committees. But at last the desire of the members has been realized and to-day the V. R. C. is the possessor of a handsome building—one of which it might well be proud. "The best of its kind in the Far East," was the consensus of opinion of those who have inspected the building and there is no doubt that the Club-house is not the best of its kind from Singapore to Vladivostok, then it is a worthy rival of any other.

## The Opening.

The opening ceremony took place this morning in the presence of a large number of members and friends. The Club-house was duly decorated with flags and ferns and presented a gay appearance. His Excellency arrived shortly before 10 o'clock, accompanied by Captain Mitchell-Taylor, and promptly on the stroke of the hour Mr Rodger formally welcomed His Excellency, saying:—Your Excellency, I have the honour and pleasure to welcome you to-day, the occasion being the formal opening of the new club premises of the Victoria Recreation Club—a club that has done useful work in the way of training young men in athletic sports on land and water for over half a century. The committee and members are very proud of their new club house and have asked me to thank you, Sir, for coming here to-day. We hope to have the pleasure of seeing you here on many other occasions. I think it is unnecessary for me to say any more at present. May I ask Your Excellency to be good enough to turn the key in the lock and formally declare the Club open.

His Excellency said:—Mr Rodger, gentlemen, I think you have chosen a most auspicious day for the opening of the new premises. May 24, commonly called Empire Day, is as you know in this Colony by Ordinance called Queen Victoria Day, in memory of our late beloved sovereign the Queen, whose birthday it was and it is particularly fitting that you should have chosen this day, as the name of the club is the Victoria Recreation Club. It is, as Mr Rodger has told us, fifty years old—the oldest club in the Colony. You have suffered great losses in the typhoon and you have made a wonderful effort to recover and to fit out your boating house and by building these charming premises here, which I think, both as a water pavilion, and as a Club house and gymnasium, combine every facility which a club of this sort can give to its members. 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## Shipping.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

FOR

MARSEILLES & LONDON.  
TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR  
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &  
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STEAMERS	Leave COLOMBO	Connecting Steamers	Due at HONGKONG	Leave MARESILLES & LONDON	Due at PLYMOUTH (London 2 days earlier)
DELTAS	Nov. 30	VICTORIA	6500	July 28	July 1908
DELHI	June 13	BRITANNIA	6500	July 12	July 1908
ARCADIA	June 27	MOONLIGHT	10000	July 15	Aug. 1
MALTA	July 11	CLIPPER	8000	Aug. 9	Aug. 16
DEVANHA	July 25	MOLDAVIA	10000	Aug. 23	Sept. 13
MAEMORA	Aug. 8	THALASSIA	10000	Sept. 6	Sept. 13
DELTA	Aug. 22	MACEDONIA	10500	Sept. 20	Sept. 27
DELHI	Sept. 5	MONGOLIA	10000	Oct. 4	Oct. 11
MALTA	Sept. 19	INDIA	8000	Oct. 18	Oct. 25
DEVANHA	Oct. 3	VICTORIA	7000	Oct. 31	Nov. 7
OCEANA	Oct. 17	BRITANNIA	7000	Nov. 14	Nov. 21

Passengers change steamer at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from COLOMBO is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following—

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

## LONDON,

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS	Leave HONGKONG	Due at LONDON
SUMATRA	June	about
CEYLON	June	about
NAMUR	July	about
SAEDINIA	July	about
NUBIA	Aug.	about
SYRIA	Aug.	about
ANZANIA	Sept.	about
NUBIA	Sept.	about
WORCESTER	Sept.	about
SUMATRA	Nov.	about

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and Malta or  
Masauli.

\* Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers. + Carry only First Saloon Passengers.

For further particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,  
Acting Superintendent.

1921

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES  
FRENCH MAIL LINES.FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE,  
Via SUEZ CANAL.FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN,  
Via SHANGHAI.FOR STEAMERS CAPTAIN TO SAIL  
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND TONKIN, TONKIN, CHAMONIX, MAY 25; YOKOHAMA, YOKOHAMA, MAY 25; MARESILLES, VERSAILLES, YARRA, SELLER, MAY 26, at 1 p.m.TRANSHIPMENT on the Co.'s Steamers at SINGAPORE for BATAVIA, at COLOMBO for  
CALCUTTA, BOMBAY AND AUSTRALIA, at PORT SAID for THE LEVANT, CONSTAN-  
TINOPLE and BLACK SEA.  
Through Tickets to LONDON, via PARIS, from \$27.10 up to \$71.10, 20 hours  
by rail from MARESILLES to LONDON. Interpreters meet passengers on their arrival in  
MARESILLES.

For further particulars, apply to

P. N. NALIN, Acting Agent,  
QUEEN'S BUILDING.

Hongkong, April 4, 1908.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.  
BOSTON STEAMSHIP CO.

CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

## NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA  
VIA  
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons.	Captain	To Sod.
SHAWMUT	9600	E. V. Roberts	1908
TREMONT	9600	W. T. Garlick	8th June
SEVERIO	6232	W. Shattock	1st July
KUMERIC	6232	Cowley	23rd July

Steamer Passengers only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND  
QUININE, ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSES.\* The twin-screw s.s. Shawmut and Tremont are fitted with very superior  
Accommodation for First and Second-Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels  
assures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry.  
Cargo carried in cold storage.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

For further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
GENERAL AGENTS

QUINN'S BUILDINGS

## Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES  
THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S  
STEAMER 'NAMUR.'FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,  
PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and  
placed at their risk in the HONGKONG and  
KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWNS of  
the HONGKONG and KOWLOON CO., LIMITED, when such consign-  
ment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and  
delivered as soon as the Goods are landed.Optional Goods will be landed here un-  
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before 8 hours.Goods not cleared by the 23rd inst., at  
4 p.m., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by  
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signee's and the Company's representative  
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cognized.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods  
are to be left in the Godowns, where they  
will be examined on the 30th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 22, 1908. 773

## Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES  
THE 'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS,  
STEAMSHIP 'BENLOMOND.'FROM LEITH, LONDON AND  
STRAITS.CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
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Shipping.

NOTICE.

FOR KUDAT & SANDAKAN,  
TAKING CARGO AT THROUGH RATES TO  
TAWAU, LAHAD DAYU, LABUAN,  
JOLO & MELANO.THE Steamship  
CARDIGANSHIRE.Captain T. E. SMITH, having arrived from  
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are  
hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and  
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HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF and  
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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND  
SINGAPORE.FOR LONDON & ANTWERP,  
VIA SUEZ CANAL.THE Steamship  
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